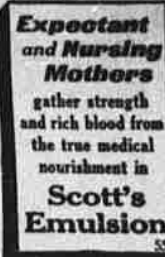




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MISS MARGARET YATES SEVERELY BURNED

Deplorable Accident to the Oldest
Daughter of Mr. F. H. Yates.

While assisting in the preparation of dinner near noon on Sunday last Miss Margaret Yates, the bright and amiable young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Yates, of this city, was shockingly burned. She had opened the door of the gas range for the purpose of putting something in the oven, when the pressure was suddenly increased and a mass of flame burst out against her clothing, instantly enveloping her in a blaze almost from head to foot. The terrified girl rushed out of doors and then back into the house and into the bath room, her mother and sister trying to catch her and extinguish the flames with blankets and wraps. This they finally succeeded in doing but not until nearly every particle of the poor child's clothing was burned from her body.

Mr. Yates, who was at church, was hurriedly summoned and physicians were sent for. Dr. York was soon at the house and dressed the burns and made Miss Margaret as comfortable as possible. At least two-thirds of her body is dreadfully burned, mostly in front. The injuries are what are called third degree burns, the most dreaded form. She was doing as well as could possibly be expected at this time and is bearing her great pain with much fortitude. A skillful nurse, Mrs. Jordan, is her constant attendant.

The victim of this unfortunate accident is in her 14th year, a very attractive girl and general favorite. The accident was a shock to the community and her ultimate recovery is ardently wished.

N. K. W. C.

The Nora Kennison Woman's Club met with Mrs. Horton February 9. It being anniversary day the program consisted of a review of past year. A most enjoyable feature of the meeting was the privilege of being permitted to have our refreshments served in the room with Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Burns, who were at the time unable to be out. We felt as if we were really 20 years old when Mrs. Horton brought in a cake with two candles on it. The meeting was considered by all present a very enjoyable affair. We trust the club will have many more anniversaries. On account of the funeral of Mr. Roberts there was no meeting of the club Feb. 16th. We will meet Feb. 23 at the home of Mrs. H. C. Osborne. A musical program at that time, Miss Kate Froese, leader.

MRS. H. C. OSBORN, Sec.

HOT SCRAP IS EXPECTED.

When Senator James returned from the South he found awaiting him J. Melvin Hall, of Paintsville, an applicant for the postmastership. Hall is regarded as a strong applicant for the office, but he lacks the support of Mayo who, however, has not indorsed an applicant so far as can be learned.

DOING WELL AT FRANKFORT.

Earl Berry, of Blaine, this county, is one of the most popular pages connected with the Legislature at Frankfort. He is bright, alert and polite and has become a general favorite in the House. He is a son of E. C. Berry.

HAS RESIGNED POSITION.

Brad W. Chaffin, who has been an employee of the NEWS office for the past two months, has resigned his position and will devote his entire time with newspaper contest work. He is now conducting a contest on the Methodist Laymen's Herald.

FORMER LOUISIAN MARRIED.

Miss Genele Picklesimer, formerly of this city, was recently married in Van Lear to Mr. John Pettry, of that place. The groom is a mine foreman where he lives.

DEATH OF T. H. ROBERTS.

Mr. Thomas Roberts, a well known resident of Louisa, died at his home in this city on Saturday night last. Interment was made in Fulkerson cemetery on Monday afternoon. Mr. Roberts had been in poor health for several months. This condition developed into an acute illness marked by complications which did not yield to skillful treatment and careful nursing.

The funeral services were conducted at the late residence of the deceased by the Rev. B. M. Keith, of the M. E. Church South, and despite the intense cold and otherwise inclement weather they were largely attended.

Mr. Roberts was a skilled builder and had done much work as a contractor. The following is a brief biography of the deceased:

Thomas H. Roberts was born in St. Agness, England, August 22, 1862, and died in Louisa, Kentucky February 15, 1914, aged 51 years, 5 months and 23 days. He was married to Miss Mary Estes July 15, 1884, at Louisa, Virginia. To this union were born five children: George B., Claud, Jesse R., Ethel M. and William J., all of whom still live except Claud, who died at the age of three years. He was converted under the ministry of Rev. O. F. Williams and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church South February 12, 1905.

AT THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

On next Sunday night the Rev. L. M. Copley will preach in the Christian church, the subject being "The Philosophy of Victory." You are cordially invited.

JACK THOMAS SHOWS TALENT AS A CARTOONIST

Louisa Lad Gets Into the Newspapers
on the Pacific Coast.

The following write up of a Louisa lad appeared in a recent issue of the Los Angeles Express. Jack is the very bright son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Thomas, formerly of this city, and was born in Louisa. At a very early age he showed much promise but was for a long time handicapped by ill health. His friends here will be glad to learn that his physical condition has greatly improved and that his talent for picture making has brought him to the favorable notice of the big city dailies. The NEWS regrets its inability to reproduce Jack's clever cartoon as it appeared in the Los Angeles paper:

"A cartoon that brings a hearty laugh is of more real service to humanity than a cartoon which requires study and thought, according to Master Jack Thomas, 12-year-old son of J. C. Thomas, who has shown decided talent in free-hand drawing after a few weeks of study under P. I. Jordan in the art department of the Y. M. C. A.

Jack believes a cartoonist has every chance in the world to serve humanity—just as much, in fact, as a writer of essays or sermons, and, although in modesty he hesitates to compare the two professions, he is of the opinion that a good cartoon will tell a story with as much force and clearness as a well-written article.

"I'm young," Jack admitted today, "but I want to become a cartoonist if possible. There's a great future in it, I think."

"I believe I would rather draw a series of pictures, like 'Little Pal,' or 'Hank and Knobs,' than just one picture by itself. 'I'm too young to know much about 'serious things,' so I thought I would confine myself to drawing 'funny' things."

"Master Jack appears very interested in the evolution of a newspaper cartoon and questioned the members of The Express art staff in regard to the various processes an original drawing was subjected to before making its appearance on the printed page."

"H. D. Cross, director of the boys' department at the Y. M. C. A., believes the young artist has a bright future and predicts a great success for him in the profession he success for him in the profession wishes to adopt."

NORFOLK & WESTERN R. R. WILL BUILD NEW LINE

Parallel Road to be Constructed on
Kentucky Side of Tug River.

Everything is in readiness for the commencing of actual construction on the Norfolk and Western parallel line, to run from Naugatuck, through Kentucky to Iaeger, on the Tug river bank, giving more ample railroad facilities to Kentucky coal developments now in operation, and those to come on the Kentucky side of the river.

With the coming of spring, the sounds of blasting and digging will ring up and down the Tug river valley and work on this new road will be under way. The work is to be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible in order that the rapidly developing Kentucky coal operations may not be hampered in marketing their products.

The surveys for the road have long since been made, and construction parties now are organized and in readiness to begin work as soon as the weather will permit.

All the material for the road is ready for shipment and within a week after spring really sets in the materials will be on the ground and ready to be put in place. Then it will be only a matter of months until the new road is completed.

The Daily News' information which comes from some of those interested in the new construction, is to the effect that as soon as the first track has been laid through to Iaeger, a second track will be begun alongside the first, giving the Kentucky side ample track facilities for the handling of the vast volume of business the new section is expected to put forth with the coming of a railroad.

This railroad will mean a great deal to the future of Williamson and the surrounding West Virginia as well as to all other adjacent territory, and especially Eastern Kentucky.—Williamson Daily News.

DEATH OF HORSES AND MULES.

The death of horses and mules in various sections of Kentucky from a disease which resembled spinal meningitis has caused an investigation to be made by H. L. Casey, assistant State veterinarian. Eleven horses on the farm of W. T. Dehoney, in Adair county, were the subject of post-mortem examinations. These animals died within thirty-six hours, the investigation showing that the rapid deaths were caused by a form of ptomaine poisoning due to the ensilage on which they were fed. Dr. Casey stated that there have been about 150 deaths from this disease recently among Kentucky stock, and unless farmers quit feeding their horses and mules food fit only for animals with two stomachs, the fatalities will continue. Bulletins noting the disease, its cause, remedy and prevention will be issued by the Department of Agriculture.

There have been several deaths among live stock in the Catalpa and Huette section recently, and investigation might show that they were victims of the trouble mentioned in the foregoing.

IN THE SOUTHLAND.

While his friends in Louisa have been in the grip of the severest weather of the present winter Mr. W. D. Pierce, of this city, has been enjoying himself in the delightful land of the orange and the palm. He left the blizzards and snows of Kentucky several days ago for a trip to Florida and other regions of perpetual spring, not to return for two or three weeks. While he shiver indoors Mr. Pierce finds comfort in the open air, with an added thrill of pleasure when he reads of sub-zero weather and snow a yard deep in the North.

ILLEGAL STILL DESTROYED.

Revenue officers Charles Flanery, of Webbville, and George W. Castle, of Grayson, found and destroyed a large still on the head of Caney last week. The location was formerly the scene of much distilling, legal and otherwise.

NEW PLAN TO SELL RANGES.

John M. Sagraves, hardware and furniture merchant of Richmond, W. Va., is here making arrangements to establish a new business which is unique in its conception. He will delegate the management of his Richmond business to another member of his firm and will assume charge of the new business in the near future.

While traveling in the mountain territory for the Foster-Mead Hardware Co., a few years ago, Mr. Sagraves conceived an idea of the possibilities in the business he is now going to promote. As soon as suitable headquarters can be secured he will install a stock of the famous South Bend Malleable Ranges, operating in twenty-eight counties adjacent to Huntington, which includes the northeastern portion of Kentucky. He will sell direct to consumers as a dealer in Huntington. Instead of using the peddler's plans of demonstrating from wagons going through the country he proposes to save his customers this unnecessary expense and furnish a superior range at prices very nearly as low as the ordinary steel ranges.

He will conduct public demonstrations in the larger towns covered by his contract, holding his first one in Huntington. A mailing list of all consumers in the twenty-eight counties will be compiled and in addition to the public demonstrations a vigorous campaign will be carried on by mail.—Huntington Advertiser.

Mr. Sagraves was a clever, hustling citizen of Paintsville, well and favorably known in this part of the State.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FORCES PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

Institute for S. S. Workers Feb. 21,
22, 23, at Louisa

Resolutions were adopted at each of our last two County Conventions, calling on the Executive Committee and County officers to hold at Louisa an Institute for Sunday School workers. For good reasons it has not been practicable heretofore to comply with the request of the Association; but we now have an opportunity to have with us on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Feb. 21-23, General Secretary Dr. G. A. Joplin, Elementary Field Worker, Miss Maud L. Dance, State Superintendent, Mrs. Agnes L. Elford and Field worker, W. J. Vaughan. Believing that it would be an injustice to ourselves and to the cause not to avail ourselves of this splendid opportunity, we have decided to announce that the institute as requested, will be held on the days above mentioned. Let all who desire to increase their efficiency in the work of religious education, come it will be worth your while.

A TENTATIVE PROGRAM.

Friday Afternoon.
1. Teaching Temperance—Mrs. Agnes L. Elford.
2. The S. S. and the Teens—Dr. G. A. Joplin.

Evening.
1. Is the Boy Worth Saving—Dr. Joplin.

2. A Story—Miss Dance.

Saturday Morning.
1. A Temperance Rally, conducted by Mrs. Freeman, of Ashland, Ky.

Afternoon.
1. Elementary Organization, Miss Dance.

2. Preparing to Teach—W. J. Vaughan.

Evening.
1. The Missionary Department, W. J. Vaughan.

2. "Children's Rights" Miss Dance.

Sunday Afternoon.
1. Elementary Equipment, Miss Dance.

2. The Adult Department, Dr. Joplin.

3. "Temperance Figures," W. J. Vaughan.

Evening.
1. The trip to the World's Convention—Dr. Joplin.

2. "A Wall of Men"—Miss Dance.

Each session will open with appropriate devotional services. The aim is work and efficiency. All sessions will be held in the M. E. Church.

MAYO ARRANGES PAYMENTS OF CONFEDERATE PENSIONS

The Paintsville Benefactor Comes to
the Rescue of Old Soldiers.

Frankfort, Feb. 17.—Through the efforts of State Treasurer Tom Rhea and the generosity of Jno. C. C. Mayo, of Paintsville, the Confederate soldiers of Kentucky entitled to a pension payment at this time will receive their pension in money, nearly \$100,000 in cash, instead of being compelled to accept an interest-bearing state warrant. The majority of the Confederates would have been forced to sacrifice the warrants to a claim shaver. Mr. Mayo has consented to take the warrants without even a discount.

While all other state warrants issued at this time, as for months past, have been stamped interest bearing instead of being paid, Treasurer Rhea has made every endeavor to secure cash for the old Confederates. When the first pension payment was made he found that many of the old soldiers had fallen into the hands of claim shavers, who took a large per cent off the face of the warrants.

At the last payment he secured the promise of a bank to care for them. Before the present payment became due he found that no bank could be secured to take them at the face value. He then appealed to Mr. Mayo, and the Eastern Kentucky millionaire came to his rescue.

BODIES OF GEORGE O. BARNES AND WIFE.

The following from the Danville Messenger will be read with interest by the older residents of Louisa, where the famous evangelist and Miss Marie were so well known and loved:

Mrs. Della Bogle received a telegram from Mr. Will Barnes, stating that the bodies of his parents, Rev. and Mrs. George O. Barnes, had been shipped from Sanibel Island and would arrive in Danville today. As stated in the Messenger several weeks ago, friends of the famous evangelist decided to exhume and remove the bodies to Kentucky. They were buried at Sanibel, the home of the minister, at the time of their death, several years ago.

Upon arrival in Danville, the caskets will be taken to Bellevue Cemetery and placed in a vault. On Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock the bodies will be buried. There will be no elaborate service, simply a prayer and some songs. These are the plans arranged today, and there is little possibility of a change.

George O. Barnes was the most widely-known evangelist Kentucky ever produced. Beginning his work in the mountains of the State, news of his wonderful results soon spread, and he visited many other States. He also went abroad and spent several years. He was always accompanied by his daughter, Miss Marie, who was a singer of great ability. The couple carried with them a small organ, used to accompany their songs. They sang only the familiar old songs, the congregations never being asked to join with them. Mr. Barnes was originally a licensed minister in the Presbyterian church, but some of his ideas did not conform with the church and he drifted out to himself, his motto being, "God is Love and Nothing Else." George O. Barnes was a man of great mind, and his work reached many people who would otherwise have never given any thought to their soul's welfare. He was a soldier in the war with Mexico and born and raised in Lancaster.

W. J. VAUGHAN SPOKE.

W. J. Vaughan, the well known Sunday School worker of Louisa, made short talks at the several Sunday Schools of Catlettsburg Sunday forenoon, and in the afternoon delivered a lecture at the Mission Sunday School in the South Side. He is one of the most interested and enthusiastic Sunday School workers in the state and is one of the best informed. He will spend Monday here in the interest of the Sunday Schools.—Independent.

A. T. PACK.

The following from the Portsmouth Times will interest many Little Blaine and Georges Creek people:

"A. T. Pack, chief clerk for the C. & O. at South Portsmouth, has resigned his position to take a better one with the C. & O. at Richmond, Va. Mr. Pack has been contemplating this change for some time, but it comes as a great surprise to his many friends in Portsmouth and South Portsmouth. He has been in the service of the C. & O. five years and has been at his post ready to meet everybody with a good word, and his presence will be greatly missed around the station.

In addition to his railway duties, Mr. Pack has just finished a two years' term as police judge for the town of South Portsmouth which he has successfully filled, and his leaving will probably end the town corporation which was gotten up by Mr. Pack and others and which has done much toward the betterment of the village."

CHANGE OF TIME FOR HOLDING INSTITUTE.

A letter has been received from the Rev. George A. Joplin, Secretary of the Kentucky Sunday School Association, which states that as he has to go to Richmond, Va., on Feb. 28 he has changed the dates of his meeting here to Feb. 21, 22 and 23. Dr. Joplin will arrive in this city Saturday morning. The NEWS presumes that the local officers of the Association will make more definite announcement.

GAVE BAIL.

Dr. Motley, who had been confined in the Lawrence county jail several weeks awaiting trial for homicide, was taken to Elliott county in the first week of the Elliott Circuit Court by order of Judge Redwine. The defendant was brought before the Judge who heard and granted a motion for bail. Bail was given in the sum of \$10,000 and Dr. Motley was released. His case is set for trial at the April term of the Lawrence Circuit Court.

"RUINED HIS DUMMIES."

Fire, which broke out in the display window of the D. Brown Department Store, destroyed the entire window full of goods and was not checked until several still figures lay in a row in front of the store. The figures proved to be display "dummies" from the window, clad in the height of fashion. They gave the appearance, however, that a number of persons had been burned in the fire.—Williamson News.

LADIES AID M. E. CHURCH.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church met with Mrs. John Cummings Wednesday afternoon. Besides attending to the regular business of the meeting those present enjoyed a delightful turkey supper served at four o'clock. The Society desires to thank the members of the church choir for the gift of \$25, the amount realized from the entertainment given by the members at Eldorado a week or so ago.

PROF. COATES FEB. 27th.

A letter has been received here from Prof. T. J. Coates stating that he can not reach Louisa Friday, and his public lecture and the college rally are postponed till the 27th (Friday of next week). Don't forget the later date.

PATTERSON-McCLURE.

The marriage of Mr. Jasper C. McClure, of Danville, to Miss Louise Patterson, of that city, was announced for Wednesday, February 18th. The groom is a son of Prof. George McClure, formerly of this city.

A CARD OF THANKS.

The widow and children of Mr. Thomas Roberts desire to express their warm thanks to the friends who so kindly lent their assistance during the last illness of their husband and father. Those manifestations of sympathy are appreciated and will always be remembered.